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House Committee on Insurance

- H 1819 **GENERAL BILL/1ST ENG by Insurance; Berfield; (CO-SPONSORS) Ambler; Llorente; Robaina (Compare 1ST ENG/H 0627, CS/CS/1ST ENG/S 1202, CS/CS/S 1694)
Motor Vehicle Insurance Costs; creates Motor Vehicle Insurance Affordability Reform Act of 2003; requires certain persons to maintain confidential & exempt status of certain information under certain circumstances; provides additional requirements re registration of certain clinics; provides additional grounds for discipline of health professionals; prohibits person from organizing, planning, or participating in staged motor vehicle accident, etc. Amends FS. Effective Date: 10/01/2003 except as otherwise provided.
04/30/03 HOUSE Ordered engrossed -HJ 00970
05/01/03 HOUSE Temporarily postponed, on Third Reading -HJ 01001
05/02/03 HOUSE Died on Calendar, Link/Iden/Sim/Compare passed, refer to CS/CS/SB 1694 (Ch. 2003-148), CS/SB 32-A (Ch. 2003-411)
- H 0627 GENERAL BILL/1ST ENG by Bilirakis; (CO-SPONSORS) Cantens; Harrell; Llorente (Similar CS/CS/S 1694, Compare 1ST ENG/H 1819, CS/S 1680)
Insurance Fraud; provides for bringing action against unauthorized insurer under certain circumstances; makes it unlawful for certain affiliated parties to participate in insurance business without authorization; provides criminal penalties for acting as insurer without valid certificate; specifies certain investigators as law enforcement officers; provides criminal penalty for certain charges re services & parts, etc. Amends FS. Effective Date: 07/01/2003.
04/30/03 HOUSE Ordered engrossed -HJ 00862
05/01/03 HOUSE Substituted CS/CS/SB 1694; Laid on Table, Link/Iden/Sim/Compare passed, refer to CS/CS/SB 1694 (Ch. 2003-148) -HJ 01005
- S 1202 GENERAL BILL/CS/CS/1ST ENG by Appropriations; Banking and Insurance; Alexander (Compare 2ND ENG/H 0513, 1ST ENG/H 1819)
Motor Vehicle Insurance Costs; cites act as Florida Motor Vehicle Insurance Affordability Reform Act; creates Health Care Clinic Act; provides that making claim re PIP which is upcoded or which is submitted for payment of services not rendered constitutes grounds for disciplinary action; repeals provisions re Fla. Motor Vehicle No-Fault Law, unless reenacted by 2005 Regular Session, & specifies certain effect, etc. Amends FS. Appropriation: \$2,500,000. Effective Date: 07/01/2003 except as otherwise provided.
05/01/03 HOUSE In Messages
05/02/03 HOUSE Received, placed on Calendar; Died on Calendar, Link/Iden/Sim/Compare passed, refer to HB 513 (Ch. 2003-281), CS/SB 32-A (Ch. 2003-411)
- S 1694 GENERAL BILL/CS/CS by Governmental Oversight and Productivity; Banking and Insurance; Posey; (CO-SPONSORS) Fasano; Atwater (Similar 1ST ENG/H 0627, Compare 1ST ENG/H 1819, CS/S 1680)

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S 1694 (Continued)

Insurance Fraud; cites act as "Pete Orr Insurance Anti-Fraud Act"; provides civil remedy for consumers against unauthorized insurers for unpaid claims; prohibits certain persons under disciplinary sanctions from participating in insurance business; provides criminal penalties for entity transacting insurance without certificate of authority, etc. Amends 624.155, .310, .401, 629.989, 860.15, 921.0022; creates 817.413. Effective Date: 07/01/2003.

05/01/03 SENATE Ordered enrolled -SJ 01057

05/29/03 Signed by Officers and presented to Governor

06/12/03 Approved by Governor; Chapter No. 2003-148

H 1837 **GENERAL BILL/2ND ENG by Insurance; (CO-SPONSORS) Allen; Berfield; Clarke; Detert; Harrell; Jordan; Sansom (Compare H 0163, H 0927, H 1179, H 1247, H 1409, H 1539, H 1655, CS/CS/S 1132, S 1946, S 2282)

Workers' Compensation; revises authorization to claim exemptions & requirements re submitting notice of election of exemption; provides that corporate officer electing to be exempt may not receive benefits; specifies effect of criminal acts; provides for compensability of mental & nervous injuries; revises provisions re contractors & subcontractors re liability for compensation; provides conditions for applying for building permits, etc. Amends FS. Effective Date: 10/01/2003 except as otherwise provided.

05/02/03 HOUSE Refused to concur, requested Senate to recede -HJ 01044

05/02/03 SENATE In returning messages; Died in returning Messages, Link/Iden/Sim/Compare passed, refer to SB 50-A (Ch. 2003-412)

H 0163 GENERAL BILL by Mack (Compare H 0927, H 1247, H 1655, 2ND ENG/H 1837, CS/CS/S 1132, S 1946, S 2282)

Workers' Compensation; revises requirements re submitting notice of election of exemption & maintenance of records; requires that certain compensable injuries be established by medical evidence; requires subcontractors to provide evidence of workers' compensation coverage or proof of exemption to contractor; requires AHCA to ensure establishment of practice parameters for physician medical services, etc. Amends Ch. 440. Effective Date: Upon becoming law.

01/31/03 HOUSE Prefiled

03/04/03 HOUSE Introduced -HJ 00033

05/02/03 HOUSE Died, reference deferred, Link/Iden/Sim/Compare passed, refer to SB 50-A (Ch. 2003-412)

H 0927 GENERAL BILL by Troutman; (CO-SPONSORS) Baxley; Rivera; Zapata (Identical S 2282, Compare H 0163, 2ND ENG/H 1837, CS/CS/S 1132)

Workers' Compensation; revises basis upon which to compute average weekly wages for purposes of compensation. Amends 440.14.

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- H 0927 (Continued)
Effective Date: Upon becoming law.
03/04/03 HOUSE Introduced -HJ 00080
03/07/03 HOUSE Referred to Insurance Regulation (IN); Insurance; Appropriations -HJ 00164
05/02/03 HOUSE Died in Committee on Insurance Regulation (IN), Link/Iden/Sim/Compare passed, refer to SB 50-A (Ch. 2003-412)
- H 1179 GENERAL BILL by Ross (Compare 2ND ENG/H 1837)
Workers' Compensation; provides for employer's & carrier's responsibilities for production of documents; provides for waiver of employee confidentiality re medical records & reports under certain circumstances; requires certain medical reports to include specified information; provides conditions for independent medical exams; provides for claims & termination or suspension of claims for medical benefits in compensability admitted cases, etc. Amends FS. Effective Date: Upon becoming law.
03/04/03 HOUSE Introduced -HJ 00094
03/07/03 HOUSE Referred to Insurance -HJ 00167
05/02/03 HOUSE Died in Committee on Insurance, Link/Iden/Sim/Compare passed, refer to SB 50-A (Ch. 2003-412)
- H 1247 GENERAL BILL by Clarke; (CO-SPONSORS) Gannon; Stargel (Compare H 0163, H 1655, 2ND ENG/H 1837, CS/CS/S 1132, S 1946)
Workers' Compensation; revises & deletes definitions; revises provisions re election & revocation of exemption to remove references to sole proprietors & partners; removes requirement that corporate officers provide proof of status to claim exemption; applies provisions re election of exemption from certain provision, to corporate officers rather than sole proprietors & partners; revises provisions re liability for compensation, etc. Amends Ch. 440. Effective Date: Upon becoming law.
04/09/03 HOUSE Now in Insurance
04/17/03 HOUSE On Committee agenda-- Insurance, 04/21/03, 2:15 pm, 212-K --Not considered
05/02/03 HOUSE Died in Committee on Insurance, Link/Iden/Sim/Compare passed, refer to SB 50-A (Ch. 2003-412)
- H 1409 GENERAL BILL by Antone (Similar H 1539, Compare H 1655, 2ND ENG/H 1837, CS/CS/S 1132, S 1946)
Workers' Compensation; removes provisions authorizing certain officers of corporation to elect to be exempt from specified provisions; deletes exception provided for professional athletes; provides procedure under which officer of corporation or partner to partnership may elect to be exempt from specified provisions; provides certain exceptions; provides for exclusive liability of carrier or self-insured employer, etc. Amends Ch. 440, 627. Effective Date: 01/01/2004.

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- H 1409 (Continued)
 03/06/03 HOUSE Introduced -HJ 00142
 03/14/03 HOUSE Referred to Insurance Regulation (IN); Insurance; Commerce; Appropriations -HJ 00221
 05/02/03 HOUSE Died in Committee on Insurance Regulation (IN), Link/Iden/Sim/Compare passed, refer to SB 50-A (Ch. 2003-412)
- H 1539 GENERAL BILL by Fields (Similar H 1409, Compare H 1655, 2ND ENG/H 1837, CS/CS/S 1132, S 1946)
Workers' Compensation; redefines term "employee" for purposes of Workers' Compensation Law; revises provisions that authorize certain officers of corporation to elect to be exempt from specified provisions; redefines term "employment" & "wages"; removes references to sole proprietors & partners from provisions authorizing election of exemption; includes licensed psychologist within definition of terms "physician" & "doctor", etc. Amends Chs. 440, 627. Effective Date: 07/01/2004.
 03/06/03 HOUSE Introduced -HJ 00151
 03/14/03 HOUSE Referred to Health Access & Financing (IN); Insurance; Commerce; Appropriations -HJ 00223
 05/02/03 HOUSE Died in Committee on Health Access & Financing (IN), Link/Iden/Sim/Compare passed, refer to SB 50-A (Ch. 2003-412)
- H 1655 GENERAL BILL by Berfield (Similar S 1946, Compare H 0163, H 1247, H 1409, H 1539, 2ND ENG/H 1837, CS/CS/S 1132)
Workers' Compensation; provides for startup funding for Fla. Employers Mutual Insurance Co., as created by act; requires workers' compensation insurers to report cost data to Financial Services Dept.; creates Fla. Employers Mutual Insurance Company Act; creates Fla. Employers Mutual Insurance Company to provide workers' compensation insurance & employer's liability coverage, etc. Amends Chs. 440, 627, 624.482, 631.914. Effective Date: 07/01/2003.
 03/11/03 HOUSE Introduced -HJ 00181
 03/17/03 HOUSE Referred to Health Access & Financing (IN); Insurance -HJ 00224
 05/02/03 HOUSE Died in Committee on Health Access & Financing (IN), Link/Iden/Sim/Compare passed, refer to SB 50-A (Ch. 2003-412)
- S 1132 GENERAL BILL/CS/CS by Appropriations; Banking and Insurance; Clary (Compare H 0163, H 0927, H 1247, H 1409, H 1539, H 1655, 2ND ENG/H 1837, S 1946, S 2282)
Workers' Compensation; requires Chief Financial Officer to contract with state attorneys of specified judicial circuits to prosecute criminal violation of Workers' Comp. Law & related crimes; revises exemption requirements & compensability eligibility standards; requires all employers engaged in work in Fla. to obtain Fla. policy; clarifies exclusiveness of liability re safety services,

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- S 1132 (Continued)
etc. Amends FS. Appropriation: \$581,846. Effective Date:
07/01/2003.
05/01/03 SENATE Placed on Special Order Calendar -SJ 00856;
Substituted HB 1837 (Died in Senate Returning
Messages) -SJ 01035; Laid on Table,
Link/Iden/Sim/Compare passed, refer to SB 50-A (Ch.
2003-412)
- S 1946 GENERAL BILL by Clary; (CO-SPONSORS) Miller; Peaden; Jones; Cowin
(Similar H 1655, Compare H 0163, H 1247, H 1409, H 1539, 2ND
ENG/H 1837, CS/CS/S 1132)
Workers' Compensation; provides for startup funding for Fla.
Employers Mutual Insurance Co., as created by act; requires
workers' compensation insurers to report cost data to Financial
Services Dept.; creates Fla. Employers Mutual Insurance Company
Act; creates Fla. Employers Mutual Insurance Company to provide
workers' compensation insurance & employer's liability coverage,
etc. Amends Chs. 440, 627. Effective Date: 07/01/2003.
03/04/03 SENATE Filed
03/18/03 SENATE Introduced, referred to Banking and Insurance;
Appropriations Subcommittee on General Government;
Appropriations -SJ 00198
05/02/03 SENATE Died in Committee on Banking and Insurance,
Link/Iden/Sim/Compare passed, refer to SB 50-A (Ch.
2003-412)
- S 2282 GENERAL BILL by Aronberg (Identical H 0927, Compare H 0163, 2ND
ENG/H 1837, CS/CS/S 1132)
Workers' Compensation; revises basis upon which to compute average
weekly wages for purposes of compensation. Amends 440.14.
Effective Date: Upon becoming law.
03/04/03 SENATE Filed
03/19/03 SENATE Introduced, referred to Banking and Insurance;
Appropriations Subcommittee on General Government;
Appropriations -SJ 00228
05/02/03 SENATE Died in Committee on Banking and Insurance,
Link/Iden/Sim/Compare passed, refer to SB 50-A (Ch.
2003-412)